

**Title 28-A: LIQUORS**  
**Chapter 31: RECORDS**

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#### Chapter 31: RECORDS

#### §751. RETAIL LICENSEE TO KEEP RECORDS

**1. Records to be kept.** Every retail licensee shall keep for 2 years complete records showing:

A. The date of all purchases; [1987, c. 45, Pt. A, §4 (NEW).]

B. The actual prices paid; [1987, c. 45, Pt. A, §4 (NEW).]

C. The fact that the licensee paid by cash or check for all liquor bought by the licensee at the time of or before delivery of the liquor as evidenced by invoices, which must be retained by the licensee; [1993, c. 1, §71 (COR).]

D. The name and address of every person from whom the liquor was purchased; and [1993, c. 266, §19 (AMD).]

E. In the case of an on-premise licensee, records of food purchases. [1993, c. 266, §20 (NEW).]

[ 1993, c. 1, §71 (COR) .]

**2. Retail licensee to keep separate records.** Except as provided in paragraph A, a retail licensee shall keep the records required by subsection 1 separate and apart from records relating to any other transactions in which the licensee engages.

A. Malt liquor, wine and soft drinks may be listed on the same wholesale licensee's invoice if each product is separately listed. [1987, c. 45, Pt. A, §4 (NEW).]

[ 1997, c. 373, §71 (AMD) .]

**3. On-premise retail licensee to keep records of sales separate.** An on-premise retail licensee shall separate liquor sales from food sales by the licensee in the licensee's records.

[ 1987, c. 623, §10 (RPR) .]

#### SECTION HISTORY

1987, c. 45, §A4 (NEW). 1987, c. 342, §§48,49 (AMD). 1987, c. 623, §§9,10 (AMD). RR 1993, c. 1, §71 (COR). 1993, c. 266, §§18-20 (AMD). 1997, c. 373, §71 (AMD).

#### §752. WHOLESALE LICENSEE TO KEEP RECORDS

**1. Records to be kept.** Every wholesale licensee shall keep records for 2 years:

A. Showing that all sales and purchases are in accordance with the law relating to cash or check sales; and [1987, c. 342, §50 (AMD).]

B. Including detailed accounts of all its transactions with brewers, wineries, other wholesalers and retailers. [1987, c. 45, Pt. A, §4 (NEW).]

[ 1987, c. 342, §50 (AMD) .]

**2. Manner in which records to be kept.** The wholesale licensee shall keep the records in its principal licensed establishment.

[ 1987, c. 45, Pt. A, §4 (NEW) .]

#### SECTION HISTORY

1987, c. 45, §A4 (NEW). 1987, c. 342, §50 (AMD).

## §753. CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL HOLDER TO KEEP RECORDS

**1. Records to be kept.** Every certificate of approval holder operating special warehouse storage facilities within the State shall keep complete records concerning all transactions conducted at the special warehouse storage facility. The records must show:

A. The date and amounts of all liquor received and from whom they were received; and [1987, c. 45, Pt. A, §4 (NEW).]

B. The dates and amounts of all liquor shipped or withdrawn and the name of the person for whom the liquor was shipped or withdrawn. [1987, c. 45, Pt. A, §4 (NEW).]

[ 1987, c. 45, Pt. A, §4 (NEW) .]

**2. Manner in which records to be kept.** The certificate of approval holder shall maintain the records upon the premises.

[ 1987, c. 45, Pt. A, §4 (NEW) .]

#### SECTION HISTORY

1987, c. 45, §A4 (NEW).

## §754. RECORDS OPEN FOR INSPECTION

**1. Records open for inspection.** All records required to be kept under this chapter are open for inspection to the bureau or its representatives at any time. The bureau or its representatives may make copies of records that may be used as evidence of violation of this chapter.

[ 2013, c. 588, Pt. B, §4 (AMD) .]

**2. Refusal of access.** A licensee may not refuse to allow the bureau or its representatives to audit the books and records of the licensee.

[ 2013, c. 588, Pt. B, §4 (AMD) .]

#### SECTION HISTORY

1987, c. 45, §A4 (NEW). 1997, c. 373, §72 (AMD). 2013, c. 588, Pt. B, §4 (AMD).

## §755. RECORDS CONFIDENTIAL

Except for on-premises spirits sales data required to be reported by reselling agents in accordance with section 453-C, subsection 4, all business and financial records of licensees are confidential. [2015, c. 430, §6 (AMD).]

#### SECTION HISTORY

1987, c. 45, §A4 (NEW). 2015, c. 430, §6 (AMD).

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